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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 1-10 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 2 shows an exemplary process, in flow chart form, for performing a handoff between the base stations of FIG. 1 in accordance with the principles of the invention. More specifically, as part of the handoff process, a base station may discover and update at least portions of the "map" of the base stations, i.e., the pattern of neighboring base stations and related information, if any. See, for example, our concurrently filed United States Patent Application Serial No. ~~(case Davies 1-5)~~ 09/500,675 which is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. The portion of the map that is discovered by a particular base station is typically its neighbors to which it can possibly handoff a call it is serving. It takes at least one handoff with each such base station neighbor for the particular base station to discover its entire local map.